IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:)
Jurgen DANNENMAIER et al.) Group Art Unit: 3761
Application No.: 10/595,705) Examiner: Wiest, Philip, R.
Filed: April 12, 2007) Confirmation No.: 5049
For: FLUID DISTRIBUTION MODULE AND EXTRACORPOREAL BLOOD CIRCUIT INCLUDING SUCH A MODULE))))

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Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

<u>AMENDMENT</u>

This Amendment accompanies a Request for Continued Examination ("RCE"), fulfills the requirements for a submission under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114, and is in response to the Final Office Action mailed April 11, 2011, the Advisory Action mailed

June 29, 2011, and the Notice of Panel Decision from Pre-Appeal Brief Review mailed

November 9, 2011, the period for response to which extends through

December 9, 2011. Please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims beginning on page 2 of this Amendment.

Remarks begin on page 20 of this Amendment.